Beard

1850 CENSUS FOR UNITED STATES

State: INDIANA County: VIGO Town / Township: PIERSON Page

Family Number	Names	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation, etc.	Value - Real Estate	Birthplace	Married within year	School within year	Cannot read or write	Remarks
76	Felix Beard	43	M		FARMER	1000	KENTUCKY				Page 195
	Polly "	43	F				"				
	SARAH C "	20	F				"				
*	Smithberry P	18	M				"				
	William	15	M				INDIANA				
	Stephen	11	M				"				
	JIM M	9	M				"				
	John P	7	M				"				
	Bussa J	1	F				"				
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* Correction - his name should be Greenberry P. (Parke, Park) Beard. He married Isabelle Margaret "Belle" Wells, daughter of Newman Wells and Elizabeth Beard (A. McCleroy)

Beard Family

Gordon C. Burney
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August 17, 1995

The Vigo County Historical Society forwarded your letter to the library as they no longer do family research.

We have a 6-volume set of Bible entries, but I did not find an entry for a Beard or Lusk family Bible.

We do have a Lusk family surname file but its contents consist only of a four page handwritten letter about Salmon Lusk.

We also have a file on Turkey Run, which are newspaper clippings, that gives more background information on Salmon Lusk; the selling of the home, contents, and real estate at an auction after the death of John Lusk; the acquiring of the property by the State; and the beginning of the restoration of the Lusk home. Perhaps you could get more information by writing to Turkey Run, as a newspaper article states that people were donating Lusk furniture, etc. that they bought at the auction. Perhaps a family Bible was returned and is at the Lusk home. We do not have any articles on the contents of the home. You could write to Turkey Run, Marshall IN 47859, ATTN: Lusk Home.

Mary-Margaret Iacoli
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SASE

David M. Buchanan
Vigo County Historical Society
1411 South Sixth Street
Terre Haute, IN 47802

June 20, 1995

Dear Mr. Buchanan,

I am a descendant of **John Beard** (1779-1847) who lived for a number of years between 1818 and 1833 in Vigo and Parke Counties. Included in this note is a chart of John Beard and his family. Some of this information has been passed on to me with the statement that the basic family facts were from a sampler or family Bible, perhaps owned by one of the **Lusk's** or **Wright's**. I have been unable to track down the source of this. Do you know anything about such a document or artifact? There are reportedly documents at the home of **Salmon Lusk** in Turkey Run State Park. Have you any knowledge of these items? If you are interested in more records on these families for your files, I have quite a bit of documented material up to the present day and would be glad to print it out for you. Any help you can give me would be appreciated.

Sincerely,
Gordon

Gordon C. Burney
P.O. Box 515
Summerland, CA 93067

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Zachariah Beard Sr (1748 - 1820)
- A. Maria ? (Beard) (CA 1760 - dec.)
  - **John Beard Sr** (1779 - 1847)
    - Mary Russell (1784 - 1847)
      - **Mary (Polly) Beard** (1803 - 1883)
        - Salmon Lusk (CA 1787 - 1869)
          - **William Lusk** (1825 - 1903)
            - Sarah Davis (CA 1826 - dec.)
              - **Dewitt Lusk** (CA 1862 - dec.)
              - **Chancey Lusk** (CA 1864 - dec.)
              - **Arthelia Lusk** (CA 1868 - dec.)
              - **Lindell J. Lusk** (CA 1870 - dec.)
          - **Mary Lusk** (1826 - 1861)
            - Simeon Clore (CA 1820 - dec.)
          - **Lydia Lusk** (1831 - 1913)
            - William Brown (CA 1825 - dec.)
          - **Susan Lusk** (1833 - dec.)
            - Daniel Porter (CA 1830 - dec.)
          - **Elizabeth Lusk** (1836 - 1875)
            - Jacob H. Brewer (1841 - dec.)
          - **John Lusk** (CA 1837 - 1915)
          - **Carolyn Lusk** (1839 - 1841)
          - **Salmon Lusk II** (1843 - 1862)
      - **Zachariah Beard III** (1804 - 1885)
        - Ludicy Ferguson (1810 - 1848)
          - **William F. Beard** (1833 - BEF 1885)
          - **John R. Beard** (1836 - dec.)
          - **Prior Beard** (1839 - dec.)
          - **Zachariah Beard IV** (1841 - dec.)
          - **Josephus Beard** (1844 - 1919)
            - Mary Callie Spangler (1855 - 1883)
              - **Maggie Maude Beard** (1875 - 1956)
                - McKenzie Jenks (1868 - 1932)
              - **Melvin Claude Beard** (1877 - dec.)
              - **Harry Lynden Beard** (1879 - 1949)
              - **Roy Beard** (1881 - dec.)
              - **Joseph Ivan Beard** (1883 - dec.)
          - **Lyrius Beard** (1847 - dec.)
        - Amanda M. Ray (1821 - 1850)
          - **Sarah A. Beard** (1850 - dec.)
      - **Elizabeth Beard II** (1805 - 1906)
        - James McKeen (1800 - 1881)
          - **Mary Jane McKeen** (CA 1825 - dec.)
            - George H. Somers (CA 1818 - dec.)
          - **William J. McKeen** (CA 1827 - CA 1852)
          - **Benjamin McKeen** (CA 1831 - dec.)
          - **Judy Ann McKeen** (CA 1832 - dec.)
          - **Elizabeth McKeen** (CA 1837 - dec.)
            - Virgil C. Wood (CA 1833 - dec.)

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- **Sarah A. McKeen** (1839 - dec.)
  - James C. Keltner (1832 - dec.)
    - **Benjamin Keltner** (1859 - dec.)
    - **Columbus Keltner** (1862 - dec.)
    - **Lulu M. Keltner** (1864 - dec.)
    - **William C. Keltner** (1866 - dec.)
    - **James A. Keltner** (1870 - dec.)
    - **Venice Keltner** (1881 - dec.)
- **Louisa McKeen** (CA 1842 - dec.)
  - James B. Menaugh (1842 - 1878)
- **Isaiah McKeen** (CA 1844 - dec.)
  - Louisa B. Hupp (CA 1844 - AFT 1920)
    - **Genevieve McKeen** (CA 1868 - dec.)
      - Frank A. Murray (CA 1865 - dec.)
    - **Grace McKeen** (CA 1870 - dec.)
    - **J. Durly McKeen** (1874 - AFT 1920)
      - Cora Matteson (CA 1876 - dec.)
    - **Elizabeth A. McKeen** (CA 1877 - dec.)
    - **Un-named McKeen** (CA 1879 - dec.)
- **Rachael McKeen** (CA 1846 - dec.)
  - William H. Crampton (CA 1840 - dec.)
- **Columbus McKeen** (CA 1848 - CA 1849)

- **Susannah Beard** (1809 - 1854)
  - George Linebarger (1810 - 1883)
    - **John Linebarger III** (1833 - 1853)
    - **Daniel Linebarger** (CA 1836 - 1863)
    - **Isaac Linebarger** (CA 1838 - dec.)
    - **Oliver Linebarger** (CA 1840 - dec.)
    - **Elizabeth Linebarger** (CA 1842 - dec.)
    - **Mary Linebarger** (CA 1843 - dec.)
    - **Julia A. Linebarger** (CA 1845 - dec.)
    - **Martha J. Linebarger** (1847 - 1855)
    - **George W. Linebarger** (1851 - 1855)
- **John Beard Jr** (1811 - 1894)
  - Mary Fagan (1811 - 1899)
    - **Thomas Jefferson Beard** (1839 - 1902)
      - **Minerva E. Vernon** (1849 - 1868)
        - **John M. Beard** (1866 - CA 1914)
          - Ella Meyers (1877 - AFT 1914)
        - **Thomas A. Beard** (CA 1868 - dec.)
      - Margaret J. Dougherty (1855 - 1924)
        - **Mary Margaret Beard** (1872 - CA 1955)
        - **Florence Ellen Beard** (1873 - 1967)
          - Jacob J. Bartholomew (1860 - 1941)
        - **Rosa Hortense Beard** (1875 - CA 1947)
          - Edward T. Ryan (- BEF 1920)
        - **Estella Eveline Beard** (1877 - 1950)
          - Benjamin Martin (- dec.)
        - **Olive June Beard** (1880 - 1955)

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|   |   |   ├─Minnie Pearl Beard (1883 - 1925)
|   |   |   │ └─George Gorham ( -  dec.)
|   |   |   └─Anna Lauria Beard (1886 - 1960)
|   |   |     └─Arthur D. Davis (CA 1878 - CA 1948)
|   |   ├─Charles George Beard (1841 - 1844)
|   |   ├─Mary Jane Beard (1847 - BEF 1894)
|   |   │ └─John S. Thomas ( -  dec.)
|   |   │   └─George W. Thomas ( -  dec.)
|   |   ├─John Francis Beard (1850 -  dec.)
|   |   │ └─Alice ? (Beard) (1855 - 1888)
|   |   │   ├─Georgiana Beard (CA 1877 -  dec.)
|   |   │   │ └─unknown Doescher (CA 1877 -  dec.)
|   |   │   └─Eugene Beard (AFT 1880 -  dec.)
|   |   ├─Medora Beard (1853 - AFT 1894)
|   |   │ └─David F. Spangler (1849 -  dec.)
|   |   │   ├─Ethel Spangler ( -  dec.)
|   |   │   ├─Annie L. Spangler (CA 1872 -  dec.)
|   |   │   ├─George F. Spangler (CA 1874 -  dec.)
|   |   │   ├─Charles H. Spangler (CA 1877 -  dec.)
|   |   │   ├─Roy F. Spangler (1887 -  dec.)
|   |   │   │ └─wife ? (Spangler) (CA 1887 -  dec.)
|   |   │   └─Edith M. Spangler (1891 -  dec.)
|   |   │     └─Unknown Smith (CA 1890 -  dec.)
|   |   ├─Ambrose Beard (1856 - 1919)
|   |   │ └─Pauline J. Fanning ( - BEF 1885)
|   |   │ └─Laura Reading (1860 - 1933)
|   |   │   ├─Thomas B. Beard (ABT 1887 -  dec.)
|   |   │   ├─Jane Beard (ABT 1893 -  dec.)
|   |   │   └─Dora M. Beard (1898 - 1968)
|   |   │     └─Otto Max Brandt (1894 -  dec.)
|   |   └─Ellen Beard (1858 - 1934)
|   |     └─John Riley Ballard (1850 - 1907)
|   |       ├─Elmer Ballard ( -  dec.)
|   |       ├─Mary Ballard ( -  dec.)
|   |       └─William Ballard ( -  dec.)
|   ├─Sarah Beard (ABT 1813 -  dec.)
|   ├─Michael Beard II (1814 - 1851)
|   │ └─Eliza Haigh ( -  dec.)
|   ├─Catherine Beard II (1816 - 1816)
|   ├─Julia Ann Beard (1818 - 1862)
|   │ └─Prior Wright (1809 - 1860)
|   │   ├─Mary Wright (CA 1838 - AFT 1860)
|   │   ├─William  Wright (CA 1840 -  dec.)
|   │   ├─John B. Wright (CA 1844 -  dec.)
|   │   ├─Salmon Lusk Wright (1852 - 1929)
|   │   │ └─Laura Lillian Cook (1872 - 1942)
|   │   ├─Daniel Wright (CA 1854 -  dec.)
|   │   └─Lydia Wright (CA 1856 -  dec.)
|   ├─Anna Beard I (1819 - 1821)
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|    └─Zina Beard (1820 - 1822)
├─Elizabeth Beard (1781 -  dec.)
├─George Beard (1783 - 1826)
  ╙─Catherine Byers (1784 - 1870)
    ├─Catherine Beard III (1806 -  dec.)
    ╙─Henry Neikirk (CA 1805 -  dec.)
    ├─Jacob Beard (1807 - 1905)
    ╙─Sarah W. Morris (1816 - 1869)
      ├─George W. Beard (1834 - 1834)
      ├─William R. Beard (1836 - 1885)
      ├─Martha A. Beard (1838 - 1858)
      ├─Catherine Beard IV (1840 - 1943)
      ├─Margaret Beard (1842 -  dec.)
      ├─Jacob Beard Jr (1843 - 1843)
      ├─Elizabeth Beard III (1845 -  dec.)
      ├─Samuel M. Beard (1846 - 1944)
      ├─Lafayette Beard (1853 -  dec.)
      ├─Ezra O. Beard (1856 - 1863)
      └─Alice A. Beard (1860 -  dec.)
    ├─David Beard (1809 -  dec.)
    ╙─Martha Rule (1814 - 1879)
    ├─George Beard II (1811 - 1850)
    ╙─Prudence ? Beard (CA 1815 -  dec.)
    ├─Henry Beard (1813 - 1863)
    ├─Michael Beard III (1816 - 1882)
    ╙─Mary Barbara Bowerman (1828 - 1872)
    ├─Elizabeth A. Beard (1818 - 1913)
    ╙─James Grant (CA 1815 - BEF 1905)
    └─Samuel Beard (1822 - 1863)
├─Catherine Beard (1786 -  dec.)
├─Susan Beard (1788 -  dec.)
├─Maria Beard (1791 -  dec.)
├─Sally Beard (1793 -  dec.)
├─Zachariah Beard II (1795 -  dec.)
└─Michael Beard I (1797 -  dec.)
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Beard Family

John W. Hanneman
3626 Virden Ave.
Oakland, CA 94619

October 20, 1993

I am enclosing a research report listing the sources I checked for your ancestor. As you can see, I found many Beards in Vigo County but no Roberts.

I checked the indexes to the early Indiana censuses but did not find a Robert Beard listed until 1840. That man was in Jefferson County, not Vigo. The indexes list heads of households only, so if your Robert came here as a child, his name would not have appeared until he became an adult.

Are you sure he came here in 1806? Vigo County did not exist until 1818. Fort Harrison was built on the site of what is now Terre Haute in October 1811, but there were very few people here. In 1807 Knox County covered most of what is now Indiana and part of what is now southeastern Illinois. There were two counties, Clark and Dearborn, in southeastern Indiana. St. Clair and Randolph counties were in Illinois, which was part of the Indiana Territory.

I checked indexes to the Knox County histories and marriage records but did not find a Robert Beard. Do you know whether Robert was married when he came here? The Indiana State Library, 140 N. Senate Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46204, has compiled an index to Indiana marriages prior to 1850. If he married in Indiana, they might be able to locate the marriage and county.

I am returning your $3.00 as I did not find anything to copy for you.

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Nancy Sherrill
Genealogy Librarian

VIGO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
One Library Square
Terre Haute IN 47807

DATE: _____

VIGO CO. LIBRARY RESEARCH REPORT

The item(s) circled below indicate the record(s) searched for the surnames of: Beard: Robert (settled in Vigo 1806)

in response to your request of 10-10-93.

(1) Miscellaneous Card File:
Did not find Robert Found Various other Beards

(2) Surname File:
Did not find _____ Found Beard Family File - 1932 letter on various Beards + Buchanans but no Robert Beard, 1974 letter on David + Elizabeth (Lashly) Beard, 1988 letter on John Beard of Cover)

(3) Vigo County, Indiana, Index of Names of Persons and of Firms (in the county histories)
Did not find Robert Found Many other Beards: A. M. C., Adam, Alex, Alexander, C., Dicy (Ferguson or Forgason), Elizabeth (Wells), F., Felix, J. L., James, James C., Jane, John, John D., John L., Joseph L. (Cover)

(4) Vigo County, Indiana, Marriage Licenses from 1818 to 1850:
Did not find Robert Found Other Beards: Charles, James, James C., Stephen, William H., Zachariah,

5. W.P.A. Index to Marriage Record, Vigo County, 1840-1920:
Did not find _____ Found _____

6. W.P.A. Index to Death Record, Vigo County, 1882-1920:
Did not find _____ Found _____

(7) Cemetery Records of Vigo County, Including All Born Prior to 1830 That Lived to Maturity:
Did not find Robert Found Other Beards: Alexander + Mary, Felix + Polly, Jane, John L. + Judith, Stephen C. + Elizabeth, S. C. + Asenath, Stephen, Z. + Ludicy + Amanda M., J. L. + Mary

8. Cemeteries, Vigo County, Indiana (4 vols.):
Did not find _____ Found _____

9. Woodlawn Cemetery, Terre Haute, Vigo County IN, Index of Burials Vol. 1 1839-1899 vol. 2 1900-March 1983:
Did not find _____ Found _____

(10) Census Index for the year 1807, 1820, 1830:
Did not find _____ Found 1807 Census of Indiana Territory - No Robert Beard, John Sr. + John Jr. in Randolph co.

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Other: (also check other side)

1820 Census of Indiana - No Robert Beard - only 2 Beards in Vigo Co. - Ann p 182 + John p 114

#2 Vermillion Co. IN, 1850 census on Felix Beard, typed pages of names from Beard Bible - no Robert Beard, Bible apparently belonged to a William Beard

#3. Beards: Julia B. (Weeks), Kate, Mary, Mary E. (Littlejohn), Meriam S. (Weeks), Nancy, Nancy B., S.C., Sarah, Sarah E., Stephen, Stephen C., Stephen L., William L., Z., Zachariah

WPA Index of Names of Persons & of Firms [in the county histories] Knox County - No Robert Beard

Knox County, Indiana, Marriage Records 1807-1840 - No Robert Beard

#10 1830 Census of Indiana
No Robert Beard
Only 1 Beard in Vigo Co. - James p178

1840 Census of Indiana
Beard, Robert - Jefferson Co p 335
" Alex - Vigo Co p 771
" Eliz " " p 741
" Felix " " p 741
" James " " p 775
" " " " p 831
" Sarah P " " p 741
" Wm " " p 709

Sent $3.00

John W. Hanneman
3626 Virden Avenue
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Oct. 10, 1993

To whom it may Concern,

I am wondering if there is any reference in Your collections which pertains to my ancestor ROBERT BEARD, who supposedly settled in Vigo County about 1806. I would be interested to know if his name appears in any local histories. If located, would it be possible for me to obtain copies? Thank you.

Sincerely,

John W. Hanneman

$ 3.00 enclosed for Copies.

Beard Family

Stillwater, Oklahoma
January 21, 1974

Dear Mrs. Clark,

Some time ago, in 1971 or early 1972, I corresponded with you concerning a search for a marriage record in Vigo County for a Robert Nicholson, my great-grandfather. You might be interested to know that I found this record quite by accident, and found it in St. Clair County, Illinois, where I would never have dreamed of looking for it. From this discovery I have been able to make contact with a family genealogist who has done years of research on the family of my great-grandmother and have been the very grateful recipient of his work.

Now I am engaged in an all-out search for another great-grandfather, and I have reason to believe he was perhaps in Vigo County some time between 1846-7 and the death of his wife in 1873. His name was DAVID BEARD, and his wife was Elizabeth LASHLEY Beard. They came from Muskingum County, Ohio, were in Delaware County, Indiana, at least until 1847, and have disappeared after that. The 1850 census does not show him on the lists for either Indiana or Ohio or Illinois, but since his son Jesse was in the area of Vigo County in 1860 and for several years afterward, I think David may be there also and perhaps was missed by the census of 1850.

Will you check for me the Deed index of Vigo County for this name and send me your bill? If there is a grantor deed, it will have the name of Elizabeth.

I will appreciate very much this service.

Sinderely,

Gladys A. Ingram

(Miss) Gladys A. Ingram
620 South Walnut
Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074

Ans. 1-26 $3-10 quoted

P & K p 558 — John D Beard, son of Stephen & Eliz Ann (Wells) Beard
b. May 9, 1859, Vigo Co. Ind. m. Marium Stout Weeks, b. Oct 24, 1857 Vigo Co, Ind
Their child = Stephen C. Beard, b. 2-27-1886.

p. 553 — Alexander A. Beard, son of John L. & Julia Frances (Wells) Beard
b. Sept 30, 1854, Vigo Co m. Julia Ella Weeks b. Aug 17, 1853, Vigo Co.

p. 385 — Nancy B Beard, dau of John L. & Julia Frances (Wells) Beard
b. Jan 25, 1858 Vigo Co m. Sept 25, 1876 John Yaw b. July 29, 1853 Vigo Co

p. 336 — Stephen C Beard, son of Wm & Eliz (Carrithers) Beard, ★
b. 1822, Spencer Co, Ky d. Aug, 1881 m. 1847 Asenath Evans,
dau of Moses & Sarah (Kestin) Evans. b. Apr 8, 1827, Vigo Co Ind,
d. Jan 23, 1850 bur. Pierson Twp Vigo Co

p. 173 — Benj T. Beard, son of Stephen C & Eliz A (Wells) Beard,
b. Jan 14, 1856 Vigo Co m. Aug 29, 1880 Minnie E French, b. June 19, 1858 Vigo Co.
2 chil — Fannie E. Beard b. 1885 still liv
Stephen I. " b. 1886 (dec.)

p. 172 — Polly Beard, dau of John & Manerva (Heady) Beard,
b. Aug 16, 1866, Vigo Co d. 1897 m. Nov. 16, 1884. Oliver French, b. 1859 Vigo Co.

p. 98 t

620 S. Walnut
Stillwater, Oklahoma
January 29, 1974

Dear Mrs. Clark,

I am very much pleased to hear that you have found my David Beard and wife Elizabeth in Vigo County. Perhaps after all this time I can really now get some valuable information on them. And if it is true, as I have suspected for some time, that Elizabeth's family accompanied the couple to Indiana, maybe I can do something to trace the one great-great-grandfather who is only a name on my records.

I enclose a check for $10.00 and will be eagerly awaiting your first report.

Sincerely,

Gladys G. Ingram

Feb.2, 1974

Miss Gladys A.Ingram
620 S. Walnut
Stillwater, OK 74074

Dear Miss Ingram:

Thank you for your letter of Jan.29 and the check in the amount of ten dollars for the BEARD information I have been able to locate so far.

At the Vigo County Court House, County Clerk's office, I searched the Index of Estate Settlements, Book One, and found:

BEARDS, William...estate settled May,1839 Box 3
....., Stephen...estate settled Apr,1847 Box 3
BEARD, G.P.....estate settled July,1859 Box 58
....., Alexander..estate settled Dec.,1863 Box 8
letters granted Dec.1861 Box 5
....., James.....letters granted Jan.1864 Box 8
....., John D.
adm.John Royse DBN & John W. Davis
letters May 25,1874; est.settled Sept.,1875 Box 84

These were the only mentions of the name from 1818 through 1875.

At the County Recorder's office, I searched the General Index of Deed Record No.5-1860 to 1867 for the name BEARD, and found the following references:

BEARD, Felix to John J. Foxworthy - Mar.4,1864 (deed date Mar.3)
W½ SE¼ Sec.4-R10 T8, 80 acres $1,040.....Book 27, p.244

BEARD, Felix & wife to Geo. W. Compton - Mar.5,1864 (deed date Aug.24,1863)
Off SW cor of SE¼ 32-11-8-5 $35.....Book 28, p.99 Warranty Deed

BEARD, John L. to Stephen C. Beard - 1866 - (deed dated Feb.27,1866)
3 blocks in Town of Terre Haute, SE¼ of ¼ & N½ SE¼ Sec.19-T10-R8
120 acres...$1,000...Warranty Deed...Book 33, page 446

BEARD, Stephen C. to John L. Beard - 1866 (deed date Feb.27,1866)
SW¼ of W¼ & NW¼ SW¼ Sec.20-R10-T8 80 acres...$1,000 Book 33, page 447

BEARD, Stephen C. to Benjamin T. Wells - 1866 (deed dated Mar.4,1866)
land description 18-10-8-17...$550. Book 33, page 427.

In my files I found the following references:

John D. Beard, son of Stephen & Elizabeth Ann(Wells)Beard, b.May 9,1859, Vigo Co., Ind., m. Marium Stout Weeks, b.Oct.24,1857, Vigo Co.,Ind. Their chil=Stephen C. Beard, b. 2-27-1886.

Alexander A. Beard, son of John L. & Julia Frances(Wells)Beard, b.Sept.30,1854, Vigo Co.,Ind. m. Julia Etta Weeks, b. Aug.17,1853, Vigo Co.,Ind.

Nancy B. Beard, dau of John L. & Julia Frances (Wells)Beard, b.Jan.25,1858, Vigo Co.,Ind. m. Sept.25,1876, John Yaw, b. July 29,1853, Vigo Co.,Ind.

Stephen C. Beard, son of Wm. & Elizabeth(Carrithers)Beard, b. 1822, Spencer Co.,Ky., d. Aug.1881, m. 1847 Asenath Evans, dau of Moses & Sarah(Kester)Evans, b. Apr.8,1827, Vigo Co.,Ind., d. Jan.23,1850, bur Pierson Twp.,Vigo Co.,Ind.

Benjamin T. Beard, son of Stephen C. and Elizabeth A.(Wells) Beard, b.Jan.14,1856, Vigo Co.,Ind. m. Aug.29,1880, Miriam E. French, b.June 19,1858,Vigo Co.,Ind.
Their 2 chil = Fannie E. Beard, b. 1885, still living
Stephen I. Beard, b. 1886, deceased

Polly Beard, dau of John and Manerva(Heady) Beard, b. Aug.16,1866, Vigo Co.,Ind. m. Nov.16,1884 Oliver French, b. 1859, Vigo Co.,Ind.

A reference in Bradsby's HISTORY OF VIGO COUNTY,IND. 1891, page 672,673=

"John L. Beard, farmer, Linton Twp.,P.O. Pimento, was born in this county, May 29, 1857, and is a son of Stephen C. and Elizabeth (Wells) Beard, natives of Spencer county,Ky.,who were of Irish descent. The father, who was a farmer, and taught school during his early life, moved from Kentucky to this county, about the year 1818, and died in Pierson two, Aug.3,1880; the mother is still living. They had a family of 6 children that grew to maturity, of whom Joseph L. is the 3rd, born Mar.9,1857. Mr. and Mrs. Beard have 2 children, Stephen L. and William L. Mr. Beard received his education in the common schools of this county, and has followed farming, and owns a well cultivated farm of 40 acres of land."

The following references were found in Vigo County Cemetery Records(copied tombstones):

Beard, John L. b. July 14,1824; d. Sept.19,1907
m. Judith F.Wells b.June 12,1829; d. Apr. 4, 1918 Old Brown Cemetery

Beard, Stephen C. d. Aug.4,1881, a. 60y.7m. 1d.
m. Elizabeth A. d.Aug.14,1897, a.65y. 11m. 9d Old Brown Cemetery

Beard, S.C.
m. Asenath d. Jan.23,1850 a.22y10m20d. Old Brown Cemetery

Beard, Stephen b. May 22,1782. d.F b.3,1839 Old Brown Cemetery

Beard, Z.
m. Ludicy d. July 28,1848 a.38y.3m.25d. New Harmony Cemetery
m. Amanda M. d. Mar.2,1850 a.28y.8m.22d. New Harmony Cemtery

Beard, J.L.
m. Mary(Fisher) d. Jan.21,1885 a.62y.25d. Woodlawn Cemetery.

Beard, Alexander d. Feb.18,1846 a.62y
m. Mary d. Feb.18,1852, a.56y. Woodlawn Cemetery

Beard, Felix b. Sept.23,1807 d. Aug.18,1885
m. Polly d. Apr.22, 1880 a.73y.2m.22d. Christian Church cemetery

Beard, Jane(sister of J.Beard)
b. July 18,1818; d. July 1,1879 Old Brown Cemetery

The time allowed by the ten dollar retainer fee is completely used in the above research. If I can be of further service, please let me hear from you. There are so many places to search, and it is time-consuming.

Very truly yours,

Dorothy J. Clark(Mrs.Robert I.)
Professional Genealogist
2032 North 8th Street
Terre Haute, Ind. 47804

GEN.

September 8, 1932.

Mr. R. W. Hutton,
214 North Walnut St.
Grand Island, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

I have the following from tombstones in this county and in the majority of cases, information regarding them may be had from Probate, Deed and Will Records and there are, no doubt, descendants of some of them still living here.

BEARD

Alexander d 2/18/46 a 62 Mary his wife d 2/18/52 a 56
Felix b 9/23/07 d 8/18/85 Polly wf d 4/22/80 a 73-3-22
James L. 1815-1894 Mary (Fisher?) wf d 1/21/85 a 62-25d
Jane, sister of J. July 18,1818-July 1, 1871
John F. son of James L. 1848-1918
John L. b July 14, 1824 d 9/19/07 Judith F. Wells wf 6/12/29
Nancy b 7/12/12 d 2/25/86 m Edw. Roll (d 4/4/18
Sarah E. b 6/2/30 d 3/3/14 m Nelson St. Clair
Stephen C. d 8/4/81 a 60-7-1 Elizabeth A. wf d 8/14/97 a 65-11-9
S. C. whose wf Asenath d 1/23/50 a 22-10-20
Stephen b 5/22/1782 d 2/3/39
Zachariah whose 1st wf Ludicy Ferguson d 7/28/48 a 38-3-25
" 2nd wf Amanda M. d 3/2/50 a 28-8-22

In the Buchanan line, I have only one local note and that is of Joseph R. Buckannon on whose estate letters were issued in 1834 to Joseph Esra, but in Indiana, I have in Cass County the following data: Reverend James who m 1809 Harriet Berryhill and to whom were born Maria Matilda in 1827--Andrew Berryhill Buchanan 1810-1884--Wm. Claudius who d Sedalia Mo. and Dr. Alexander Milton Buchanan, b 1823 m (1) Miss Nichols, csp m (") 1867 Minnie York and left issue.

I do not have any connection between Beard and Buchanan in my records but will run the marriage records for both names from 1818 to 1853 for ten 3¢ stamps and your envelope stamped and addressed. Probate records will be searched over the same [illegible] in later years.

Have you seen Mrs. Catching's "Baird-Beard" Genealogy?

Yours very truly,

VIGO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
INDIANA

Beard Family

People's Finder 169 + 169

29 August 1988

Dear Researcher:

In our local Genealogical Library at Rushville, Illinois, I read a quarterly from your local society. It listed names in your Family Files.

I am interested in knowing what is in the BEARD FAMILY file. My ancestor John Beard was an early settler in Vermillion county, had one of the first mills. John's wife was Mary: Children; David, Alexander(Elexander), John, Catharine, Polly (Mary), and Margaret (Peggy). Are any of the above mentioned people listed in this BEARD file? If so, I would like to know the cost of copying the information.

Will appreciate any help you can give me.

Very truly yours,

Lillian Hoover

Mrs. Lillian Hoover
Box 69
Huntsville, Illinois 62344

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Box 69
Huntsville IL 62344

September 1, 1988

I am enclosing a research report listing the sources we checked for the John Beard family. The Beard family file did not have much information, but John was mentioned in various county histories as he was an early settler. Vermillion county was formed from Parke county in 1824 and Parke from Vigo county in 1821. Since John Beard built his mill in 1818, he is mentioned in the histories of all three counties.

On November 19, 1819 Mary Beard married Salmon Lusk in Vigo county. According to Beckwith's History of Vigo and Parke Counties, she was the daughter of "old John Beard, who built the first mill on Sugar Creek." Salmon Lusk was a soldier in the War of 1812 and was stationed at Fort Harrison (now Terre Haute). After the war, he bought a farm in Vermillion county and later acquired a huge tract of land in Parke county where he operated a saw mill for many years. John Lusk, a son of Salmon and Mary (Beard) Lusk, survived all the other members of his family. He became an eccentric recluse, who refused to allow anyone to cut trees on his property or bring in any modern conveniences. When he died without heirs in 1915, the land was acquired for Turkey Run State Park. The old Lusk home in Turkey Run has been restored.

If you would like copies of any of the items listed on the research report, our charge is 10¢ per page, plus postage.

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Beard Family

BEARD FAMILY

SOURCE: Photo-static copy taken from Bible

BIRTHS:

Elenor Beard was born in the year of our lord September th 2, 1801

William Beard was born in the year of our lord September (marked out) March th 2, 1804

Polly Beard was born in the year of our lord December the 30, 1806

Alexander P. Beard was born in the year of our lord May the 27, 1809

Nancy Beard was born in the year of our lord July the 12, 1812

James Beard was born the 18 day of August 18_5

James Beard was born in the year of our lord August the 18, 1815

Jane Beard was born in the year of our lord July the 18, 1818

Stephen C. Beard was born in the year of our lord January the 3, 1821

John L. Beard was born in the year of our lord July the 14, 1824

Adam Carrithers McKinly son of Wm. McKinly and Elinor was born May the 26th day, 1833

John McKinly son to Wm. and Elinor McKinly was born the 17th day of July 1830

James B. McKinley son to Wm. and Eleonor McKinly was born the 22nd day of July 1821

Alexander McKinley son to Wm. and Elenor McKinley was born the 29th day of February 1824

Stephen Porter McKinley son to Wm. and Elenor McKinley was born the 27th March 1827

Edward R. Beard son to John L. & Judith F. Beard was born 29th of May 1851

James W. Beard son to Stephen & Asenath Beard was born the 15th day of January 1848

Sarah E. Beard daughter to Stephen and Asenath Beard was born the 3rd day of January 1850

Mary E. Beard daughter to John L. and Judith F. Beard was born February the 6th day 1850

Beard Family cont'd:

BIRTHS:

Newman W. Beard son to Stephen and Elizabeth Beard was born the 17th day of July 1854

Alexander A. Beard son to John L. and Judith F. Beard was born the 30th of Sept. 185_

MARRIAGES:

Elenor Beard daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth Beard married the 2d day of April 1816

William Beard son of Wm. andElizabeth Beard was married the 11th day of July 1826

Polly Beard daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth Beard was married the 27th day of August 1829

Nancy Beard daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth Beard was married the 8th day of October 1835

Alexander P. Beard was married March 15th, 1838

James L. Beard was married 30th of August 1842

Stephen C. Beard wasmarried the 26 day of July 1846

John L. Beard was married the 6 day of May 1849

Stephen C. Beard was married to Elizabeth A. Wells the 25th day of April 1853

David R. Newman was married to Mary E. Beard the 18th day of November 1849

DEATHS:

Elenor McKinly daughter of William and Elizabeth Beard departed this life the third day of July 1833

Wm. McKinly departed this life the 22nd day of December 1834

Wm. Carrithers grandfather to the above departed this life the 13th day of December 1836

Asenath (marked out) Beard departed this life the 23d of January 1850

James W. Beard departed this life the 1st day of July 1852

Beard Family cont'd:

DEATHS:

Wm. Beard departed this life the 25th day of April 1835

Newman W. Beard departedthis life the 26th day of August 1855

Edward R. Beard son to John L. and Judith F. Beard departed this life the 7th of Sept. 1851

Elizabeth Beard departed this life the 18th day of September A.D. 1866

Ann O. Beard departed this life September the 14 1864

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Wm. Beard son to Dan and Elinor Beard was married the 7th day of August 1799 to Elizabeth Carrithers daughter of Wm. V. Zane Carrither and _____.

Alexander Beard son of John L. and Judith F. Beard was married to Julie E. Weeks daughter of Louis L. and Sarah An Weeks in the year of our Lord September 26, 1880.

Newman Wells was born January 1, 1796
Elizabeth Beard was born September 15, 1802
They were married January 25, 1825

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WELLS REUNION

The Wells reunion was held July 26, ____ at the home of Leo Wells, 2 1/2 miles southeast of Youngstown (Indiana). Those present were Woolsey Wells and son, Eldon; Mary E. Newman, Betty Price, Betty Fletcher, Ellen Carico, Mrs. Ben Blose and children Betty and Billy; Nora Burgess, Claudia Snodgrass, Mrs. and Mrs. H. Bareswilt, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Shook and daughter Ellen; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Snodgrass and children, Carl and Nelda; Mr. and Mrs. K. Engles and daughter Susana; Blanche, Bell, Frank McCrocklin; Mr.and Mrs. Russell Beatty, all of Terre Haute; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Woods, Mr. and Mrs. John Skelton; Mr.and Mrs. Rex Hathway and two daughters of Greencastle, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hane of Seelyville, Mrs. Nancy Yaw, Mr. and Mrs. Duff Eldridge, Mr. and Mrs. John Beard, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Beard and daughter Margaret; Mr. and Mrs. Loag Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Moore, Mrs. and Mrs. E. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Gellie Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Kitteman, Lillian Scott of Pimento, Ben Beard, Stephen Beard,Fanny Beard, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCrocklin and daughter of Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Earl French, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman French and sons David and Charles of Farmersburg and the host and hostess and son.

Beard Family cont'd:

The deceased of the past year were Mrs. Frances Moore of Indianapolis and Joseph Beard of Pimento.

A bountiful dinner was spread and a good time was enjoyed by all.

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Invitation

to Mr. and Mrs. John L. Beard and Milton

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Beard request your presence at their twenty-fifth Wedding Anniversary Saturday evening October Seventh Nineteen Hundred and five at Eight-thirty, 708 South Seventh Street, Terre Haute, Indiana.

MC CROCKLIN FAMILY

Bible in possession of Elsie M. Jones (Mrs. Wayne W.), R. R. 25, Box 339, Terre Haute, Indiana 47802 - 1972.

BIRTHS:

Amora Dee McCrocklin born April 9, 1859

Samantha Weddle born September 1, 1859

John Milton son of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin born Oct. 7, 1882

Wm. Harmon son of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin born Dec. 30, 1883

Wirgil born Aug. __ 188_ son of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin

Frank son of Amora Dee and Samantha Mc Crocklin born Mar. 1, 188_

Clarence son of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin born Aug. __, 18__

Harry son of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin born Jan __ ____

Dola daughter of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin born Nov. __ ____

Bertha H. daughter of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin b. Nov. __ ___

Horace son of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin born Feb. 11, 189_

Elsie daughter of Amora Dee and Samantha McCrocklin born June 17, 190_

MARRIAGES:

Amora Dee McCrocklin and Samantha Weddle married Dec. 27, 1881

DEATHS:

Amora Dee McCrocklin died June 14, 1938

Samantha McCrocklin died Aug. 21, 1927

John Milton McCrocklin died Jan. 14, 1952

Wm. Harmon died July 25, 1954

Virgil McCrocklin died Oct.1953

Frank McCrocklin died Oct. 1952

Clarence McCrocklin died Mar. 25, 1962

Harry McCrocklin died April 1970

Dola McCrocklin Bennett died Nov. 14, 1967

Hoarce McCrocklin died Feb. 14, 1951

BENJAMIN WELLS FAMILY

Bible records taken from Bible in possession of Mrs. Martha Frances Cox Vinson - 1946 - of Dupont, Indiana. The fly leaf was missing and the ink faded - copied by Mrs. Wayne W. Jones, R.R. 25, Box 339, Terre Haute, Indiana 47802.

BIRTHS:

Benjamin Wells born Oct. 22, 1773

Judith Tolson born Sept. 2, 1772

Polly Wells daughter of Benjamin and Judith born Dec. 13, 1793

Newman Wells son of Benjamin and Judith born Jan. 7, 1795

George Wells son of Benjmin and Judith born Sept. 6, 1796

Samuel Coleman Wells son of Benjamin and Judith born Dec. 7, 1798

Benjamin Stone Wells son of Benjamin and Judith born Aug. 22, 1800

Elizabeth Sophia Wells daughter of Benjamin and Judith born Nov. 2, 1801

William Wells son of Benjamin and Judith born July 27, 1803

Nancy Wells daughter of Benjamin and Judith born May 5, 1805

Yelverton Wells son of Benjamin and Judith born Feb. 21, 1807

Frances Helen Tolson Wells born nov. 1, 1808 daughter of Benjamin and Judith

James C. Wells son of Benjamin and Polly born Jan. 28, 1814

Emily Wells daughter of Benjamin and Polly born May31, 1815

Catherine Wells daughter of Benjamin and Polly born Oct. 3, 1819

Robert Wells son of Benjamin and Polly born July 13, 1813

BIRTHS - Slaves:

Courtney born June 21, 1808

Minerva born Feb. 5, 1809

Maria born Mar. 1, 1814

Reuben born Sept. 1, 1814

Nelson born Feb. 1817

Benjamin Wells Family cont'd:

MARRIAGES:

Benjamin Wells and Judith Tolson married Oct. 25, 1792

Judith Tolson joined Baptist Church at Plum Creek Aug. 26, 1810

Benjamin Wells joined Little Union Sept. 20, 1811

Benjamin Wells married 2nd Mrs. Polly Rogers.

NEWMAN WELLS FAMILY

Bible in possession of George Eugene Wells of St. Louis, Missouri 1939. Records copied by Mrs. Wayne W. Jones, R. R. 25, Box 339, Terre Haute, Indiana 47802.

BIRTHS:

Newman Wells born Jan. 1796

Elizabeth Beard born Sept. 15, 1802

Their children:

Rebecca Eleanor Wells born July 25, 1824

Mary Jane Wells born Jan. 16, 1827

George B. Wells born Dec. 26, 1825

Judith L. Wells born June 12, 1829

Elizabeth Ann Wells born Sept. 5, 1831

Isabella Margaret Wells born July 3, 1833

Alexander L. Wells born Aug. 3, 1835

Emily Catherine Wells born Jan. 18, 1839

Amney Wells born April 21, 1843

Benjamin T. Wells born Nov. 29, 1845

Rose Cornell Wells wife of Ben. Wells born Oct. 20, ____

George Eugene Wells son of Ben. Wells born Apr. 29, 1875

Eloise Long Wells wife of Geo. E. Wells born May 3, 1875

Geo. E. Wells Jr. born Dec. 23, 1903

Willis E. Wells born Feb. 4, 1905

David Wells born May 7, 1907

Eloise Long Wells Jr. born Oct. 5, 1909

Eugenia George Long born Oct. 15, 1912

Sam. Wister Polk son Eloise LongWells born Feb. 13, 1931

Eloise Compton Polk daughter Eloise Long Wells born Oct. 20, 1933

Newman Wells Family cont'd:

BIRTHS:

Grandchildren

George Washington McCrocklin born Jan. 25, 1847

Newman W. McCrocklin born Mar. 18, 1849

Frances Jane McCrocklin born October 19, 1850

John Alexander McCrocklin born Feb. 5, 1853

Mary E. Beard born Feb.6, 1850

Edward R. Beard born May 29, 1851

Newman W. Beard born July 17, 1854

Alexander A. Beard born Sept. 30, 1854

Slaves

Charlotte born July 5, 1827

Thomas born Feb. 1832

Emerine Feb. 1834

Major born Aug. 1836

Spencer born Feb. 1838

Lewis and Clark (twins) born Mar. 1840

Mierah born June 1842

George born Jan. 23, 1844

John W. born Mar. 14, 1851

Maryha Ann Aug 2, 1852

Mary Ellen born April 1838

MARRIAGES:

Newman Wells and Elizabeth Beard married January 23, 1823

Mary Jane Wells and Wm. McCrocklin married March 25, 1846

Judith L. Wells and John L. Beard married May 6, 1849

Elizabeth Ann Wells and Stephen C. Beard married April 25, 1853

Newman Wells Family cont'd:

MARRIAGES:

Isabella Margaret Wells and Greenberry Beard married Dec. 23, 1853

Alexander L. Wells and Mrs. Martha Hardesty Jasper married 1860

Emily Catherine Wells and Geo. C. Carrico married 1858

Benjamin T. Wells and Rose Cornell Hawkins married April 7, 1874

DEATHS:

Newman Wells died October 9, 1863

Elizabeth Beard Wells died June 17, 1864

Rebecca Eleanor Wells died December 27, 1834

Mary Jane Wells McCrocklin died December 30, 1897

George B. Wells died March 26, 1826

Judith L. Wells Beard died April 6, 1918

Elizabeth Ann Wells Beard died August 14, 1847

Isabella Margaret Wells Beard died Nov. 1, 1903

Emily Catherine Wells Carrico died Dec. 3, 1899

Amney Wells died August 7, 1843

Nancy Tichener died September 7, 1840

George T. Wells died July 11, 1845

Mary Hardesty Sr. died February 28, 1847

Yelverton Wells died November 26, 1847

William Wells died May 1849

Catherine Wells Anderson died June 16, 1851

Benjamin Wells died Nov. 30, 1852

Edward R. Beard died September 7, 1851

Mary (Polly) died October 31, 1854

William McCrocklin Family

Bible in possession of Mrs.Elizabeth McCrocklin Price, S. 16th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana in 1932 - copied by Mrs. Wayne W. Jones, R.R. 25, Box 339, Terre Haute, Indiana 47802.

William McCrocklin born March 8, 1825

Mary Jane Wells born June 16, 1826

Their Children:

George Washington born Jan. 25, 1847

Newman W. born March 12, 1849

Frances Jane born October 19, 1850

John Alexander born February 5, 1853

Adam born 1855

William C. born August 19, 1857

Amora Dee born April 9, 1859

Elizabeth Ann born 1861

MARRIAGES:

William McCrocklin and Mary Jane Wells married March 25, 1846

DEATHS:

William McCrocklin died January 2, 1914

Mary Jane McCrocklin died December 26, 1897

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12/615 heirs of Wm Beard against Felix, Sally Jane (wf of Geo. H. Sloan), Eliza (wf of Samuel Wright), Mary (wf of John Carruthers) John, Stephen C., Ludwell, Martha, heirs of Stephen.

Stephen decd Sep 2, 1834

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Jos C. Buchanan Sett May 1835

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